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America Supports You, launched by the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs in November 2004, has become the premiere Department of Defense program that connects citizen assistance to the needs of our military and their families.



“Thankfully, our citizens are asking us everyday what they can do to support our military members and their families. It is our job at the Department of Defense to be a good steward of that support. *America Supports You* makes it simple to find real and meaningful ways to help our military and their families. It is a powerful connector program.”

**Allison Barber
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
Architect of America Supports You**



Purpose

- **Connects you to organizations that are providing meaningful assistance.**
- **Provides additional resources to all of our troops and their families.**
- **Engages individuals, organizations and corporations in program that provide support to our**



Connect



www.AmericaSupportsYou.mi
is the website that
identifies over 360 non-profit
organizations that can
provide assistance.

➤ Types of assistance:

- ✓ Scholarships for
children, care packages,
financial resources, phone
cards, summer camp,
letter writing campaigns
and much more.**



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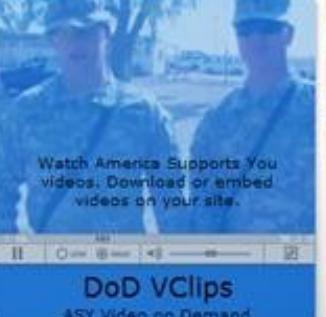
New Media Center

Online Technology is changing the way our troops and the organizations that support them communicate. Online radio, webchats, blogs, video, & podcasts are just a few of these emerging technologies. Check out some of these new ways that individuals are sharing information to show our servicemen and women in uniform we care.

Podcasts
Military OneSource



View Podcasts geared to assist our military servicemembers and their supporters.



Watch America Supports You videos. Download or embed videos on your site.

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Bloggers Roundtable
Online Journalists & Bloggers



Listen in as bloggers and online journalists connect with DoD officials to learn about the day-to-day operations that affect our servicemembers.

Get Connected

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LATEST PHOTOS

COOKIE DELIVERY - Fallen hero's widow, Julie Arch Ivanov, Founder of Operation Cookies Shutter, and Bunny Butler sit with members of the Third Marine Aircraft Wing Band in Wimmer, Calif. Operation Cookies Shutter was visiting to deliver cookies donated by generous people in Arizona as a thank you to these servicemen/women. Courtesy photo.

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TODAY'S FEATURES

highlights of the day

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Operation Homefront Village Welcomes Families
WASHINGTON, Mar. 26, 2008 - Homeless veterans in need in San Antonio now have a place to call home as they transition from military to civilian life. Article

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- Award Honors Military Moms
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How You Can Help

Thank you for joining millions of your fellow Americans in wanting to find ways to show support for our military. Whether you want to send a care package to a soldier, donate airline miles to help reunite returning military men and women with their families, support scholarship funds or send support to wounded service members, on this page you will find more than 300 nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping our troops and their families.

If you know of a non-profit organization in your community focused on helping our soldiers, sailors, airmen, Coast Guardsmen, Marines and National Guardsmen that is not currently listed, please [contact America Supports You](#) today to have them join the team.

Computer Donation	Other Support
Donate Frequent Flyer Miles	Phone Cards
Entertainment for the Troops	Scholarships
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Help for the Wounded	Service Aid Societies
Helping Troops Help Others	Training and Placement for Veterans
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How You Can Receive Help

Many non-profit organizations want to help meet your needs. These groups send care packages, donate airline miles to help reunite returning military men and women with their families, support scholarship funds or send support to wounded service members. Using the links on this page you will find more than 300 nonprofit organizations that have joined the America Supports You team and are dedicated to helping you and your families.

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MILITARY ONE SOURCE

Military OneSource is a 24-hour, 7-days-a-week, toll-free information and referral telephone service – 1-800-342-0647 – available worldwide to active duty, Reserve, and National Guard military members and their families; and to deployed civilians and their families. Military OneSource provides information ranging from everyday concerns to deployment-related issues. Also, if there is a need for face-to-face counseling, Military OneSource can provide a referral for six sessions per issue to professional civilian counselors at no cost to the service member or family member (please note in-person counseling is only available in the United States and Puerto Rico). Overseas, Military OneSource can help



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Representatives from the Pease Greeters visit the Pentagon briefing room. The Pease Greeters (left to right): Bill Hopper, air terminal manager; Charlie Nichols, World War II veteran; Edmund Johnson, group co-chair and Korean War veteran; Chuck Cove, co-chair and Vietnam War veteran; Alan Weston, air terminal maintenance manager; and Hank Page, group chaplain and Korean War veteran. Defense Department photo by Donna Miles.

[West Chester, Ohio](#)

Thank You Foundation volunteer Debbie Griffith provides students at Hopewell Elementary School with the opportunity to write thank you cards to servicemembers. The ASY homepage group is dedicated to showing their sincere appreciation for our military men and women. Photo courtesy of The Thank You Foundation.

[Ashburn, Va.](#)

Members of the Ashburn Presbyterian Church youth group package Easter goodies at a March 8th packing party hosted by Operation Pinecone. The church donated goods for the Easter baskets, which were then shipped to deployed servicemembers for the upcoming holiday. Photo courtesy of Mary Hacker.

IN THIS EDITION:

- ★ San Mateo celebrates 40 years of supporting the troops.
- ★ The Pease Greeters get a special thank you.
- ★ March is the **America Supports You** month of spotlighting homegroup groups that help military members and their families with scholarships. Learn more at <http://www.americasupportsyou.mil/>.

ASY FROM COAST TO COAST AND ACROSS THE OCEAN:

- ★ President Bush at the White House, New Hampshire Senator John Sununu on Capitol Hill and officials at the Pentagon recently honored six New Hampshire volunteers for spreading the **ASY** spirit by making sure deployed troops have enthusiastic sendoffs and homecomings. The President offered personal thanks to the Pease Greeters, who shower deploying and redeploying servicemembers with



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Everyone Can Help

- If people ask you about how to help the troops, you can connect them to the *America Supports You* program where they will find ways, large and small, to show their support.
- If you find a soldier or family who needs support, please let them know about the many resources of *America Supports You*.



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